

POLREP #12 (FINAL)
Somers BN Tie Plant (Proposed NPL Site)
Release of Creosote and Related Wastes
Flathead Lake, near Somers, Flathead County, Montana
Site #63, Case #85251

I. SITUATION:

- A. All excavation, backfilling, and rip rap placement has been completed. 3,280 cu. yds. of contaminated sludges and soils were excavated from the pond and ditch. 127,000 gallons of contaminated water were pumped from the pond before backfilling was completed. 7,735 cu. yds. of material was used to backfill the pond and ditch areas to grade.
- B. Backfill grade surface elevation is 2,892.8' (shot with a hand level).
- C. RCRA primary and overflow pits, containing all sludges and liquids, are now returned to RCRA and RPM control.
- D. Removal Actions are completed.

II. ACTION TAKEN:

- A. Excavation of contaminated soils from the truck loading area near the swamp pond. Soils taken to the RCRA primary pit.
- B. Completed decon of all equipment except for frontend loader. The loader will be used to return RCRA soils to the lined RCRA pit now containing the CERCLA wastes. The loader will be deconned after that operation is completed.
- C. Pumped standing water (sludge drainings and rain water) from RCRA primary pit to overflow pit - completed Wednesday afternoon (5/6).
- D. OSC conducted exit briefing with BN plan manager and the land owner on June 4.
- E. PST Federal monitors departed June 5.
- F. BN contractors collected samples taken from monitoring wells in the vicinity of the RCRA primary pit and from the leak detection system in the pit.

III. PLANS:

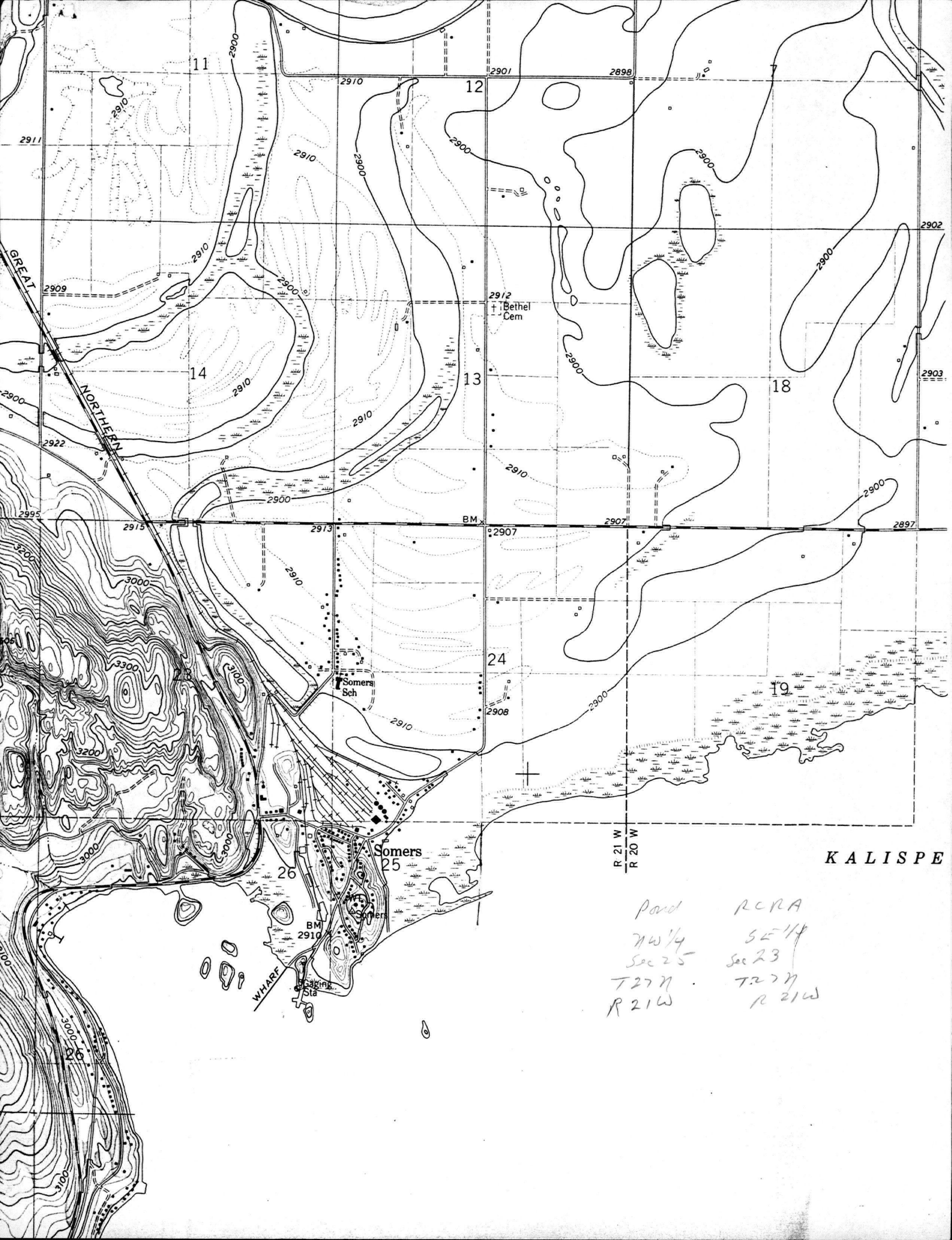
- A. BN will attempt to locate and repair the hole in top fabric of the RCRA primary pit liner after all standing water has been removed and before RCRA soils are returned to the pit. BN will continue to pump standing water from the pit if the hole cannot be found. All evidence indicates that the bottom fabric is intact.

- B. BN will begin transferring liquids from the overflow pit to the storage tank as soon as the tie plant boilers are back in operation - approximately June 17th.
- C. BN will place 3-4 inches of topsoil on the backfilled/disturbed areas near the old pond.
- D. BN will maintain the posted warning signs. Maintenance of the gate will be negotiated between BN and the property owner.
- E. BN anticipates transferring all CERCLA and RCRA sludges and soils from the site by the Fall of 1985. Therefore, the cover for the primary pit, specified in the 106 Order, is not considered necessary at the present time and will not be required. However, if material is not to be transferred on time, the pit is to be covered before the onset of winter.

IV. CASE CLOSED:

Floyd D. Nichols, OSC
1030 hrs, June 14, 1985

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R 21 W
R 20 W
KALISPE

Pond RCRA
NW 1/4 SE 1/4
Sec 25 Sec 23
T27N T27N
R21W R21W

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Swamp Pond

NW Sec 25

T27N R21W

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